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Art Unit 1648

Applicant(s): Jonathan P. Wong, et al

Invention:

DNA VACCINE USING LIPOSOME-ENCAPSULATED PLASMID DNA ENCODING FOR

HEMAGGLUTININ PROTEIN OF INFLUENZA VIRUS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2002 (Paper No. 7), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1 to 7. Please add new claims 8 to 19.

8. (new) A deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) vaccine comprising a liposomeencapsulated plasmid containing a gene encoding for hemagglutinin protein.

9. (new) The vaccine as claimed in Claim 8 deliverable to a respiratory tract using intranasal administration and/or by aerosol inhalation.

10. (new) Use of the vaccine of claim 8 for preventing and/or treating influenza virus infection.